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## **ABC Arrests Three Adults for Furnishing Alcohol to Minors**

**Folsom-** Investigators from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) arrested three suspects on September 7, 2007 for furnishing alcoholic beverages to minors. The arrests were a result of a Shoulder Tap Decoy Operation that was conducted in the City of Folsom.

When the operation was complete, 21 adults were approached by the decoys who then asked the adults to purchase alcohol for them. Three adults purchased alcohol for the minors and were immediately cited.

A Decoy Shoulder Tap Operation targets adults who purchase alcohol for people less than 21 years of age. Under the program, a minor under the direct supervision of a peace officer will stand outside a liquor or convenience store and ask patrons to buy them alcohol. The minor indicates in some way he or she is underage and cannot purchase the alcohol.

If the adults agree to purchase alcohol for the minor, investigators then arrest and cite them for furnishing alcohol to the minor. The penalty for furnishing alcohol to a minor is a minimum \$1000 fine and 24 hours of community service.

The September 7, 2007 operation was intended to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors and improve the quality of life in the surrounding community.

ABC is a Department of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, which is under the direction of Secretary Dale E. Bonner, a member of the Governor's Cabinet.